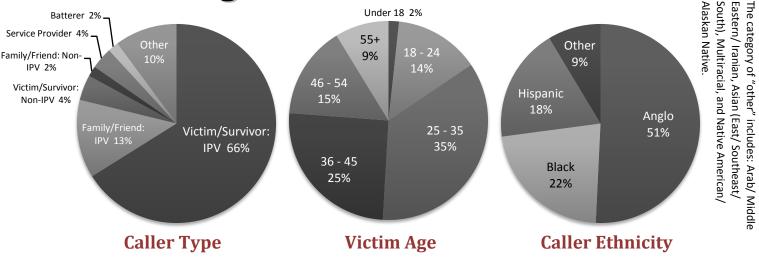


## NATIONAL REPORT

Based on Hotline Calls Documented in Calendar Year 2013

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## Who is calling the Hotline?



#### **CALLER TYPE DEFINITIONS:**

Victim/Survivor: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a victim or

survivor of abuse from his/her partner or spouse

Friend/Family: IPV (Intimate Partner Violence) – a friend or

family member of a victim/survivor of IPV

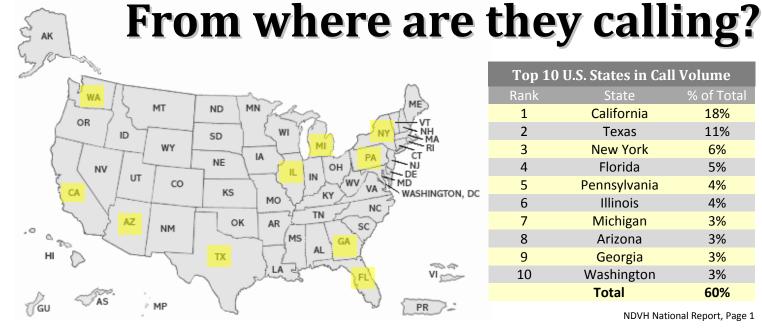
Victim/Survivor: Non-IPV- a victim or survivor of abuse by anyone else: parent, sibling, caretaker, etc.

Friend/Family: Non-IPV – a friend or family member of a victim of any other type of abuse, such as child or elder abuse **Service Provider** – a caller from any agency, including other domestic violence agencies, which provides social services Batterer – a caller who identifies as abusive or who an Advocate believes to be a batterer

Other – any caller about whom an Advocate is able to gather info, but who does not fit into an above category; this might include callers like law enforcement or medical professionals

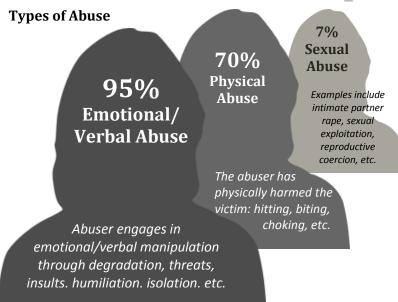
## **Hotline Call Volume**

In calendar year 2013, the National Domestic Violence Hotline documented nearly 185,000 calls.

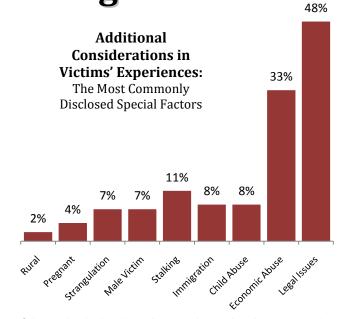


Top 10 U.S. States in Call Volume		
Rank	State	% of Total
1	California	18%
2	Texas	11%
3	New York	6%
4	Florida	5%
5	Pennsylvania	4%
6	Illinois	4%
7	Michigan	3%
8	Arizona	3%
9	Georgia	3%
10	Washington	3%
	Total	60%

# What are victims experiencing?



<sup>\*</sup>This represents the experiences disclosed by callers who are victim/survivors of intimate partner violence.



Of those who disclosed Legal Issues, this is what they were seeking: protective orders (57%), custody/visitation (32%), divorce (23%), immigration assistance (8%), and other (22%).

## How are victims' needs being met?

## **Most Commonly Requested Services:**

On top of services provided by the Hotline (seen to the right), the external services below are also frequently requested by callers. Hotline Advocates refer callers to external providers to meet these needs.

**Hotline Services** 

Connecting

Victims to External

Resources

### 184,559 **Hotline Calls Documented**

Crisis Intervention

Safety Planning

**DV** Education

Referrals

### Legal Representation

This category indicates when a caller is seeking an on staff attorney who takes individual DV cases.

### **DV Advocacy**

category includes non-residential services offered by a DV program, like: case management, advocacy, or crisis hotlines.

### **DV Support Groups**

This category encompasses group counseling provided by trained staff or therapists.

### **Individual Counseling**

14%

Callers are often seeking counseling for victims provided by a therapist.

## **Legal Advocacy**

This category is marked when a caller is seeking protective/restraining order assistance, advocacy at court, or help with other legal agencies.

#### **DV Shelter**

Though Advocates may sometimes offer homeless shelters and other community resources to certain callers, this number only represents victims who are seeking domestic violence related residential services.

121.579

**Referrals to Service Providers** 

4,200+ Local Providers across the Nation

73,316
Offers to Direct Connect

NDVH Advocate Offers to Directly Connect a Caller to a Provider

Referrals to Other Resources

Top 5 Resource Referrals in 2013:

WomensLaw.org

211 - United Way

Legal Resource Center

Childhelp Hotline

Boys Town National Hotline